A is Americans, "travelling to Luck",
B is the Baksheesh demanded by each,
C is for Cairo, for Camels, & Chibouk,
D Dahabeëhs, the travellers' boat,
E is for Egypt, the land of delight,
F for just as it was & their ceaseless wiles,
G is for Goyc, the donkey & "Imshi,"
H the Harem, whom may Allah defend,
I is the "Ibis," peaceful & fair,
J is this jolliest freedom from care,
K is the Kitchens, whence come the good things,
L is the Lateen sails, spreading like wings,
M is Mohammed, invoked by the crew
In reaching & running & tale these days,
N is a Nile-boat, palace of ease,
O is the Oddness of all that one sees,
P is the Palms & Pyramidal Peaks,
Q is the Q-cucumbers, parsley & leeks,
R stands for Raïs, Ramadan, Rats,
S for the Sailors, with turbans for hats,
T for Tobacco, Tarboosh, Tambourines,
U for the bachelor-boat, the "Undine",
V for the Villages, — poor Fellaheen, —
W stands for the Walks along shore,
X for the X cellent times gotten store,
Y is the Yankee Kef, over us all,
Z is for Zero, or nothing at all."